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RELEASE NOTES

Version 1.0.50.33873

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IMPORTANT: This release includes many additions and modifications to the application. It is imperative that this document be reviewed by all MiCS users prior to the above deployment date.

RELEASE HIGHLIGHTS

- New Functionality ADR
- Document Updates
- Hearing and Calendar Updates
- Financial Updates
- Search Updates
- ROA Updates
- Form Updates
- Report Updates
- Miscellaneous Updates

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New Functionality

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

A judicial officer may order the parties to participate in ADR or the parties may elect to participate in ADR. The creation of an ADR case and its related events will be shown as a separate part of the case record. The ADR clerk is responsible for maintaining the approved mediators and evaluators roster.

ADR actions, documents and hearings are added as a part of the ADR case. A separate ADR calendar is also maintained.

ADR is only available to individuals with ADR authority.

Documentation for ADR is available on the JIS/MiCS website.

Documents

- Case status will remain correct regardless of what document the user is viewing from the tree.
- A validation message will be displayed when a document is added with a date that is prior to the case file date.
- The filing fee will no longer be required when an amended document is filed and the original document required a filing fee.
- An application error will no longer display when selecting a document in the tree and then using the Add Document action link.
- 'Judgment' is spelled correctly within the validation message when a Satisfaction of Judgment exists and a contradictory document (such as garnishment or seizure document) is filed.
- When deleting a closing document for cases with a Manual Case Status, the closing date clears and the case status is displayed with the previous case status.

Hearings and Calendar

Hearings

- When the Save and Copy button is selected on the Add Document Screen while scheduling a hearing, the hearing will display in the tree and on the calendar.
- An application error will no longer display when using the Add Hearing screen to schedule a show cause hearing.

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Autumn, the year's last, loveliest smile.

~William Cullen Bryant

Financials

Manage a Financial Period

- Close Register screen will now display data in the Overage/Shortage and O/S Comments columns for each cashier when appropriate.
- Close Register screen will now display the correct register status once all cashiers have balanced.

Manage Bond

• A voided disbursement record in the Bond History group box can no longer be removed.

Disburse Payable

• The shading has been removed from the Amount Disbursed column in the Account Distribution Details group box to alert the user where modifications can be made to complete the disbursement.



Search

Participant Search

• When all JCLs are selected on the Participant Search screen, the results matching the criteria provided will be displayed for all JCLs.

ROA

- If an Additional Description is added to a hearing, the additional description will display on the ROA.
- When viewing the ROA, the 'Paid by' information from a receipt will display.
- Participant Date of Birth will display in the Participant section of the ROA.
- When the judicial officer or case type has been changed, the activity date will display.
- Bond condition date and bond conditions are displaying on the ROA in an easier to read format.

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Quick Tip

When adding a case, remember to select the appropriate address (if one exists) in the address group box when an existing person is being selected as a participant.

Forms

- CC381 Notice of Hearing on Petition for Personal Protection Order
 - Updated to SCAO version 3/13.
- CC384 Order after Hearing on Violation of Valid Personal/Foreign Protection Order
 - o Updated to SCAO version 3/13.
- MC06 Notice to Appear
 - Updated to SCAO version 3/13.
- MC10 Judgment, Civil
 - Updated to SCAO version 3/13.
- MC220 Recall of Warrant/Order to Apprehend
 - The form name in the application was changed from 'Warrant Recall' to 'Recall of Warrant'.
- MC230 Motion and/or Order to Show Cause
 - Updated to SCAO version 5/13.
- PCA320 Order Placing Child After Consent
 - Updated to SCAO version 2/13.
- NTF Notification
 - o This form has been developed to be used as a cover page that contains a participant's name and address. This provides the ability to mail documents using a window envelope. The form prints on 8 ½ X 11 paper and is left justified for use with a left window envelope.
 - A Proof of Service can also be generated at the same time as the Notification.

Miscellaneous Form Notes

- Expired addresses will no longer appear in the Select Participant and Address modal screen.
- When selecting the Print button on the Print Preview screen, the screen will no longer flash.
- Printing a form that has been saved in the tree will print correctly.
- When the bar number 99 is entered on a case, the forms will display Pro Per in the attorney field for that participant.

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Reports

- Pending Cases Report
 - o Case Status has been added as a parameter.
 - o Last Activity column displays the correct information.
 - UAD and ADR indicators are now displaying in the Status Change field for Case.
- Participant Search Report (New)
 - This report is accessed from top menu Reports, Report Manager, Case folder.
 - Developed to assist the users in completing printable record searches.
 - This report will not display any non-public records regardless of the user's security within the application.
- Cases Filed by Attorney or Pro Per (**New**)
 - This report is accessed from the top menu Reports, Report Manager, Case folder.
 - This report will display cased filed pro per or cases filed by a specific attorney within a selected date range.
 - The Attorney Number is defaulted to 99 (Pro Per) but may be modified to any bar number by the user.
- Receipt Journal for Receipt Date
 - The amount of time it takes to load the page has been decreased.
- Document Action Report
 - Report results now display accurately whether selecting one user or multiple users in the parameters.
 - o Correct documents and actions display in the parameters based on JCL and Case Type.
 - Case ID column is now sortable.

Miscellaneous

View Caseload History

• For cases with a Dynamic Case Status type, when deleting the case reopen action, the case status and caseload history display appropriately on a Landlord/Tenant case with multiple defendants and a supplemental complaint.

Miscellaneous

• Milestones will be correctly assigned when an Answer document is filed prior to the Return of Service document.